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## RE: Suspension of August 11, 2020 Guidance on Coordination of HCBS services with School

KDADS is temporarily suspending the guidance released on August 11, 2020, regarding the provision of HCBS Services during school hours in Kansas. KDADS has been working with the Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE), the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), and the Kansas Department of Education to address the unprecedented challenges faced during the COVID-19 epidemic.

Pending further guidance from CMS, in circumstances where school-age children who have an IEP are receiving remote education, either full-time or part-time, need medically necessary services or personal care services to support them, and the local school district lacks resources/qualified staff to provide needed in-home services during school hours, HCBS services will be permitted to be rendered during school/educational hours.

Sincerely,

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